

McKenzie was a member of the National Honor Society and was a 4.0 and perfect attendance award winner. She also participated in the pep, jazz and marching bands, student council, Future Farmers of America and was involved in student government.

Throughout high school, McKenzie participated in volleyball and track, earning many honors and serving as captain of the track team. I am confident that McKenzie will carry the lessons of her student and athletic leadership to the Air Force Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating McKenzie Mercer on the offer of her appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that McKenzie will excel during her career at the Air Force Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to her as she begins her service to our Nation.

#### INDIAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER'S 16TH ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 5, 2018*

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to recognize the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHC, which will be celebrating its 16th anniversary by hosting a gala dinner and banquet on Saturday, April 7, 2018, at the Halls of Saint George in Schererville, Indiana.

The Indian American Cultural Center, which opened on March 9, 2002, was established with the following goal in mind: to foster peace and harmony amongst the people of Northwest Indiana by showcasing their cultural heritage and creating spiritual awareness in both youth and adults, as well as to engage in various charitable endeavors, both nationally and locally. Since its inception, the Indian American Cultural Center has been instrumental in educating Northwest Indiana's citizens on the traditions and customs of the Indian heritage.

The members of the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHC are to be honored, not only for their commitment to preserving tradition, but also for their commitment to making improvements that benefit all mankind. Proceeds from this year's gala, which throughout the years has demonstrated the immense generosity of its attendees and organizers, will go to support numerous charity organizations. In the past, proceeds from the gala have gone to such noble causes as cancer research, educational scholarships, the American Red Cross, tsunami and hurricane relief funds, the Carmelite Home for Girls, Arc Bridges of Hobart, Campagna Academy, and many more. For their significant contributions to the community of Northwest Indiana and beyond, the members and leaders of the NWIHC are worthy of the highest praise.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHC on its 16th anniversary. The members and leaders of this outstanding organization have dedicated themselves to serving others and continue to improve the quality of life for the people of Northwest Indiana and

throughout the world; they serve as an inspiration to us all.

#### HONORING GILBERT SHAW

#### HON. JACKY ROSEN

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 5, 2018*

Ms. ROSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a longtime member of the Las Vegas community on the occasion of his 90th birthday, which he will celebrate on April 10, 2018. I am proud to stand today and let Congress and our country know what an amazing man he is.

Gilbert Shaw is a founding member of Congregation Ner Tamid, and served in the Navy and Coast Guard for twenty-seven years. He is an officer of the Jewish War Veterans of the USA, serving as the Senior Vice Commander of Sgt. Manny Peven Post 65. To this day, Mr. Shaw still teaches photography to fellow senior citizens at a Life-Long Learning Institute.

I want to congratulate Gilbert on reaching this incredible milestone, and thank him for his years of dedicated service. He has lived a long, impressive, and successful life. Today, I join Gilbert's family, friends and the entire Southern Nevada community to wish him a very happy 90th birthday and for many more joyful memories in the years to come.

#### TRIBUTE TO DELNO "BUD" HOLTZ

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 5, 2018*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Bud Holtz of Avoca, Iowa on the very special occasion of his 100th birthday. Bud celebrated his birthday on February 7, 2018.

Our world has changed a great deal during the course of Bud's life. Since his birth, we have revolutionized air travel and walked on the moon. We have invented the television, cellular phones and the internet. We have fought in wars overseas, seen the rise and fall of Soviet communism and witnessed the birth of new democracies. Bud has lived through eighteen United States Presidents and twenty-five Governors of Iowa. In his lifetime, the population of the United States has more than tripled.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Bud in the United States Congress and it is my pleasure to wish him a very happy 100th birthday. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Bud on reaching this incredible milestone, and wishing him even more health and happiness in the years to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF DAVID MULLIGAN ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY

#### HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 5, 2018*

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that David Mulligan of Sylvania, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

David's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Air Force Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

David brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Northview High School in Sylvania, Ohio, David served as secretary for the National Honors Society, and was active in leadership academy and LINK Crew.

Throughout high school, David participated in recreational basketball, and was senior captain for both varsity cross country and varsity baseball. David is also involved with church youth group and the NASA Student Launch Team. I am confident that David will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Air Force Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating David Mulligan on his offer of appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that David will excel during his career at the Air Force Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

#### TX-22 STUDENTS SELECTED FOR YOUNG MASTERS CLASS

#### HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 5, 2018*

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Lauren Mathews, a freshman at Seven Lakes High school and Lauren Yang, a junior at Dulles High School for being selected for Young Masters Class.

Texas Young Masters recognizes students from grades 8–11 who excel in dance, theater, film, music, media, and literary and visual arts. More than 300 students from across Texas applied, but only the most talented fifteen students received the title of "Young Master." These students were awarded with \$10,000 multi-year scholarships to enhance their studies and provide them access to enhanced opportunities prior to college. Lauren Mathews